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Respectfully submitted,

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**RESPONSE and AMENDMENT PURSUANT 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 22, 2004, the Applicant, through his attorney, responds as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.